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MEDIA ADVISORY

More than 60,000 Easter eggs at Big Spring Veterans Home

Home's residents filling eggs with candy and gifts; area children welcome to join in hunt

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AUSTIN — The 9 th Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home 9 th Annual is set for 11 a.m. on Good Friday and kids of all ages are invited to join the fun.

This week residents at the Big Spring home have stuffed more than 60,000 plastic eggs with candy and gifts donated by local businesses. All children are welcome to the free event, which drew nearly 2,000 egg hunters last year. Other activities include live music, hot dogs and ice cream.

Children will be split up into three age groups for the hunt: 0 to 2 years old, 3 to 6 years old and 7 to 12 years old. Rumor has it the Easter Bunny himself may stop by.

Texas State Veterans Homes are made possible through a unique partnership between the Texas Veterans Land Board, which Patterson chairs, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Texas State Veterans Homes are located in Amarillo, Big Spring, Floresville, Bonham, Temple, El Paso, and McAllen and Tyler.

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Texas State Veterans Homes are where honor lives. For more information, please call 1-800-252-VETS (8387) or visit the Texas Veterans Land Board Web site at www.texasveterans.com.

WHO: Children of all ages

WHAT: Good Friday Easter Egg Hunt

WHERE: Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home 1809 North

Highway 87, next to Big Spring State Hospital

WHEN: From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 6

WHY: Fun for all, young and old.

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